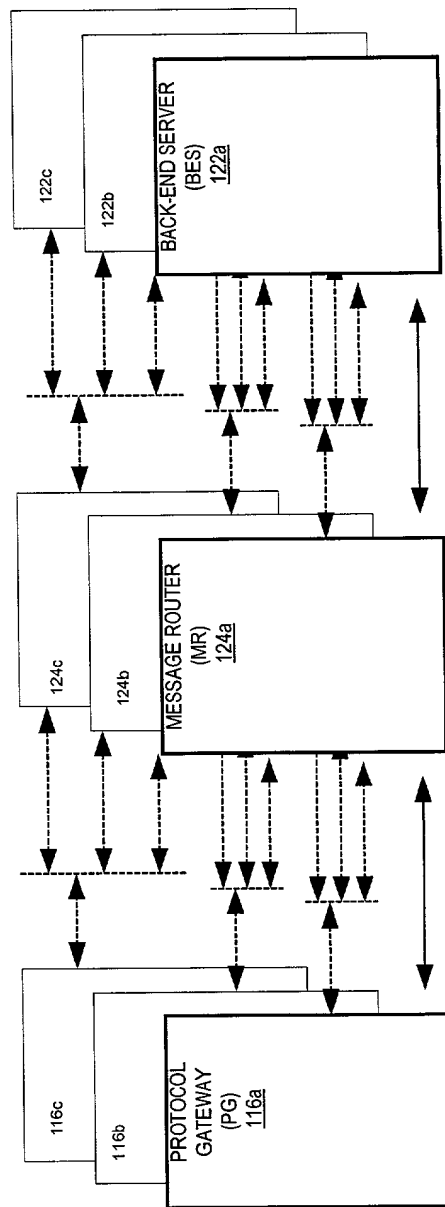


FIG. 1A

136



138

DURING DISCOVERY SERVICES/REGISTRATION EACH BES  
REGISTERS:  
SERVER ID,  
SERVICE TYPE, AND  
MESSAGE TYPE  
SUPPORTED BY EACH BES

UNIQUE MESSAGE KEY  
INCLUDES:  
SERVER ID,  
SERVICE TYPE, AND  
MESSAGE TYPE

ROUTING BASED ON CONTENT INSTEAD OF ADDRESS

ONLY ONE BES WILL HAVE A  
SPECIFIC SERVER ID AND  
SERVICE TYPE COMBINATION  
THE ONLY SERVER ID THAT  
CAN BE SHARED IS ZERO (0)

MR  
DB  
128

BACK-END SERVER (BES) 122a  
BACK-END SERVER (BES) 122b  
BACK-END SERVER (BES) 122c

MESSAGE ROUTER (MR) 124a

PROTOCOL GATEWAY (PG) 116a

CLIENT DEVICE 112

WIRELESS NETWORK 108

CLIENT USER 102

ROUND-ROBIN,  
LOAD BALANCING  
AND/OR  
REDUNDANCY

ROUTES TO MOST  
SPECIFIC BES  
CORRESPONDING TO  
MESSAGE KEY

ROUTES TO LEAST  
RECENTLY USED MR

ROUTES TO LEAST  
RECENTLY USED PG

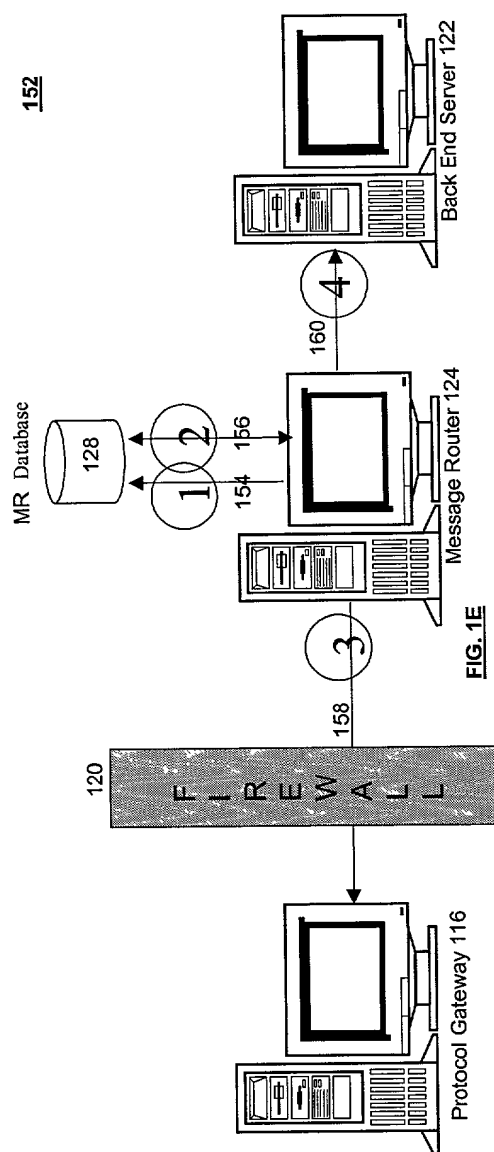
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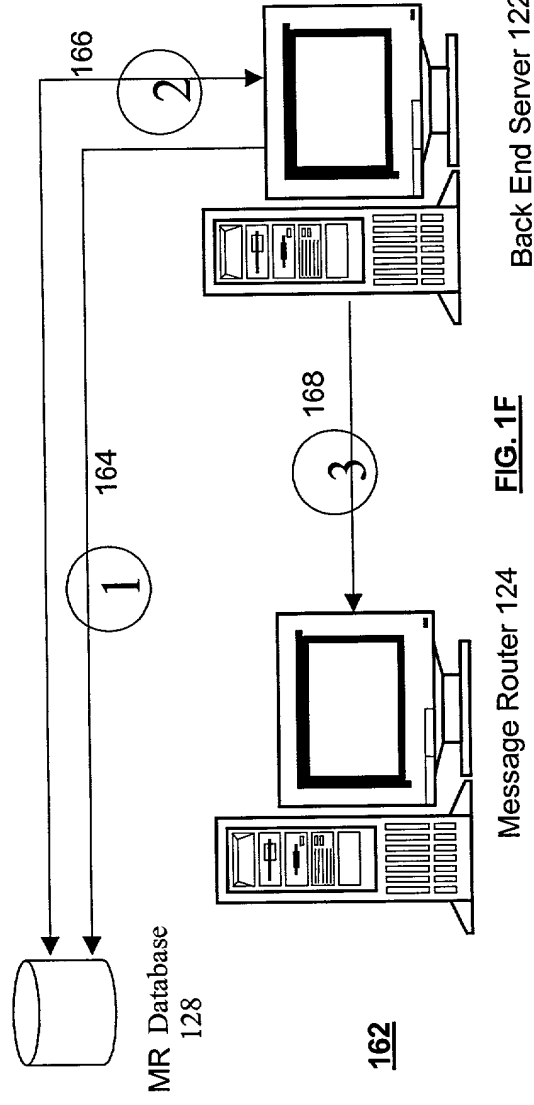
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FIG. 1C







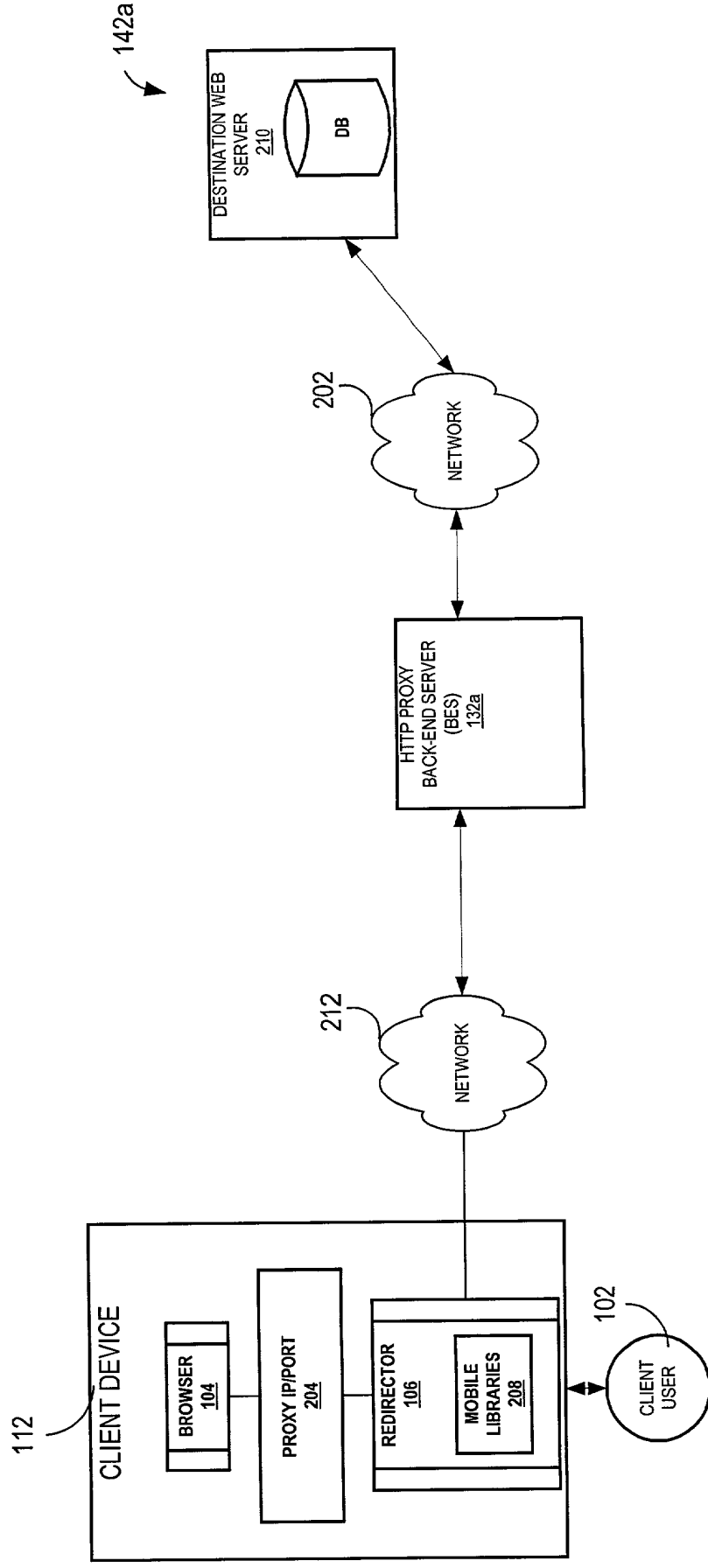


FIG. 2

FIG. 3 is a block diagram of a network architecture 300, in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. The network architecture 300 is shown as a stack of layers. The layers are labeled on the left side of the stack. The layers are: LAYER 7, LAYER 4, LAYER 3, and LAYERS 1 & 2. The layers are further divided into sub-layers. LAYER 7 is labeled APPLICATIONS LAYER 302. LAYER 4 is labeled SIMPLE NETWORK TRANSPORT LAYER (SNTL) 304. LAYER 3 is labeled NETWORK LAYER 306. LAYERS 1 & 2 are divided into four sub-layers: PUBLIC SWITCHED TELEPHONE NETWORK (PSTN) 308a, CELLULAR DIGITAL PACKET DATA (CDPD) 308b, MOBITEX RIM 308c, ARDIS 308d, GPRS, OTHER, AND FUTURE WIRELESS PROTOCOLS ... 308e, and GLOBAL SYSTEM FOR WIRELESS MESSAGING (GSM) 308f.

300

OSI

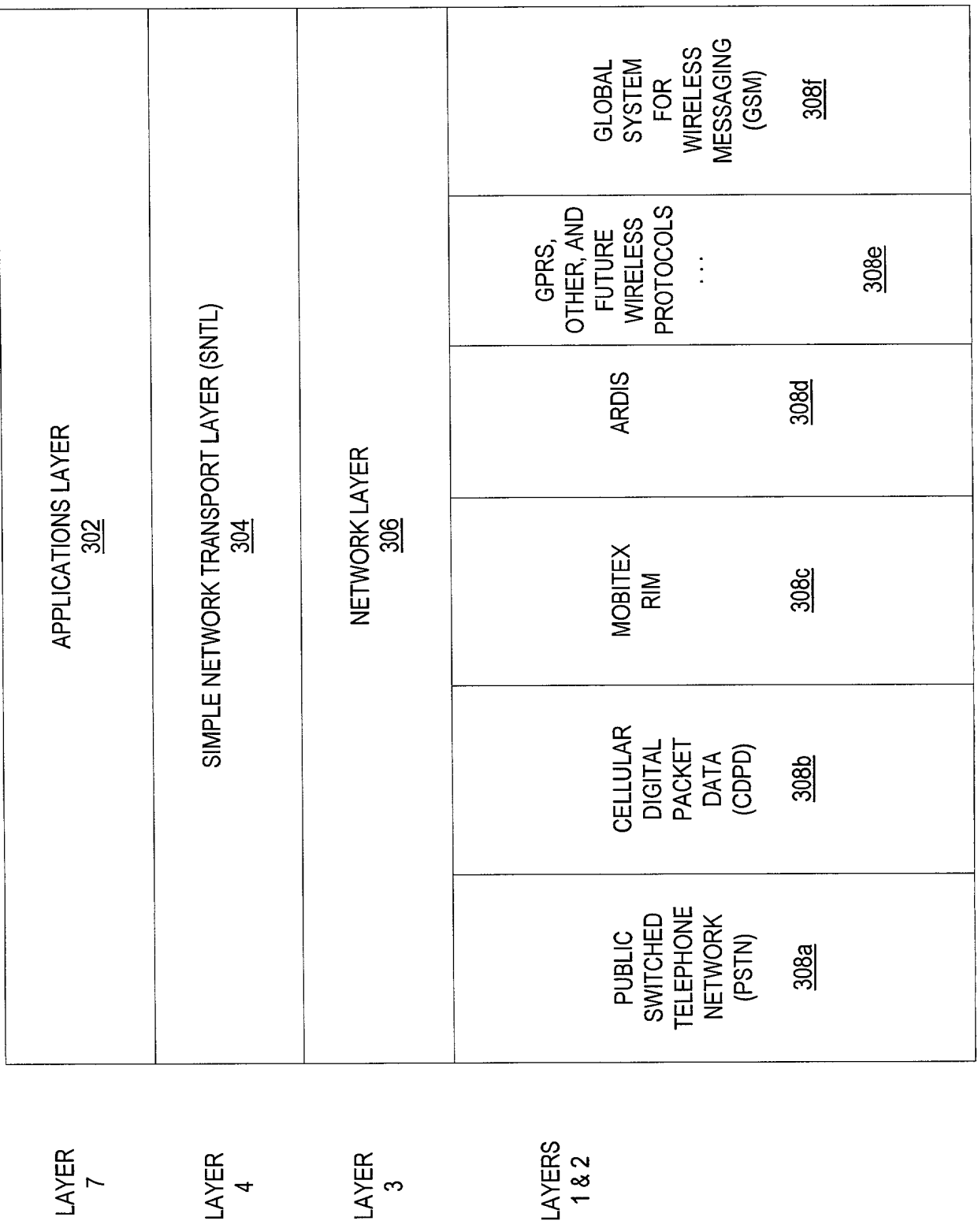


FIG. 3



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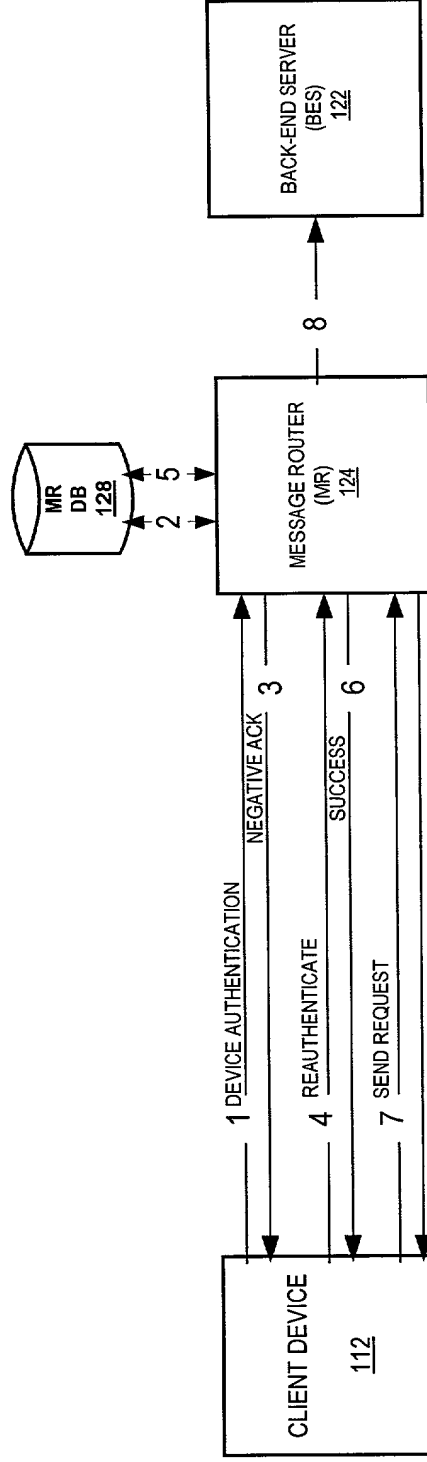
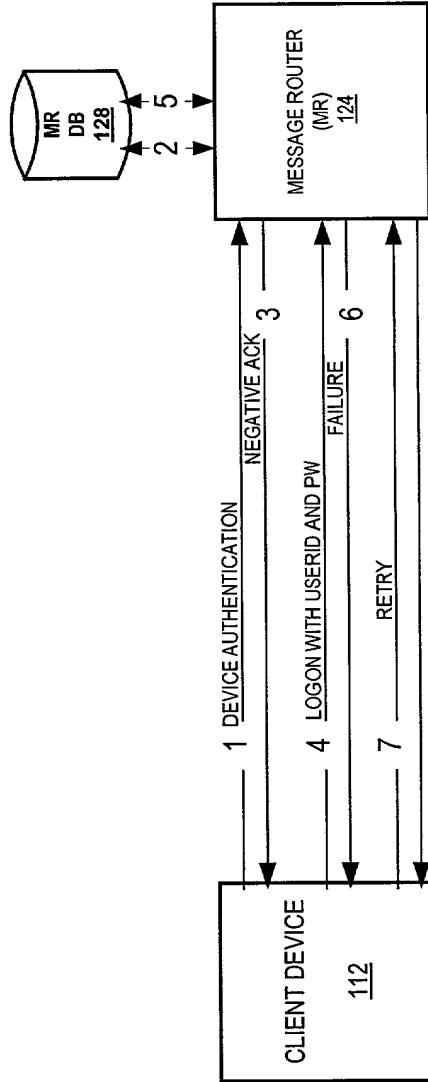


FIG. 4



600

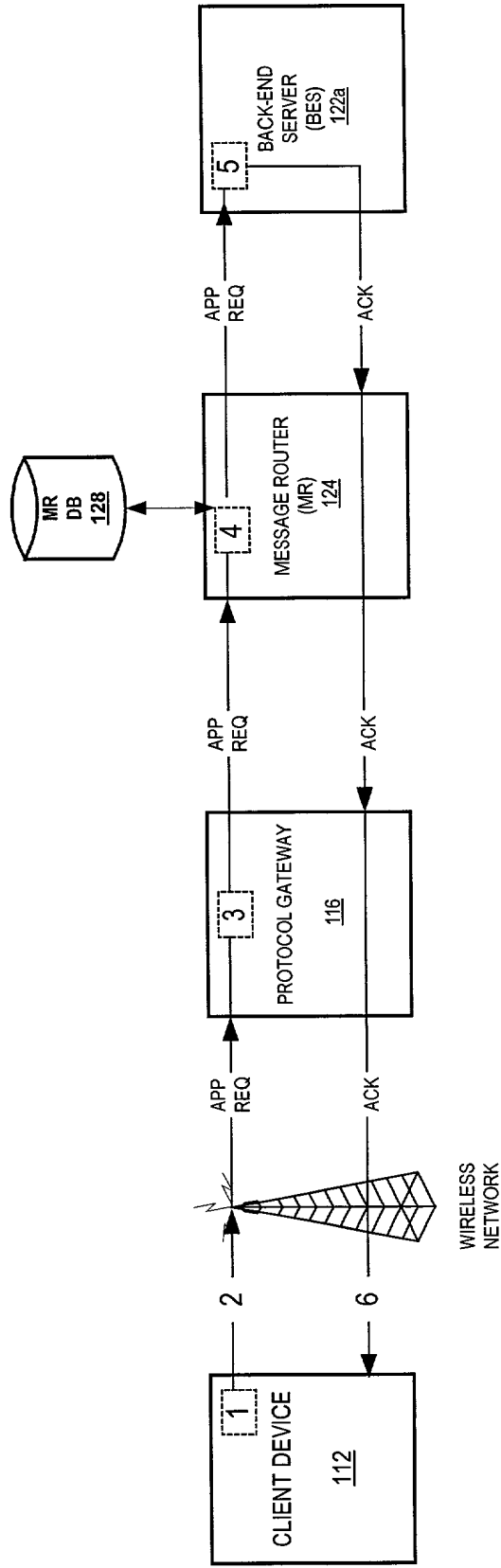
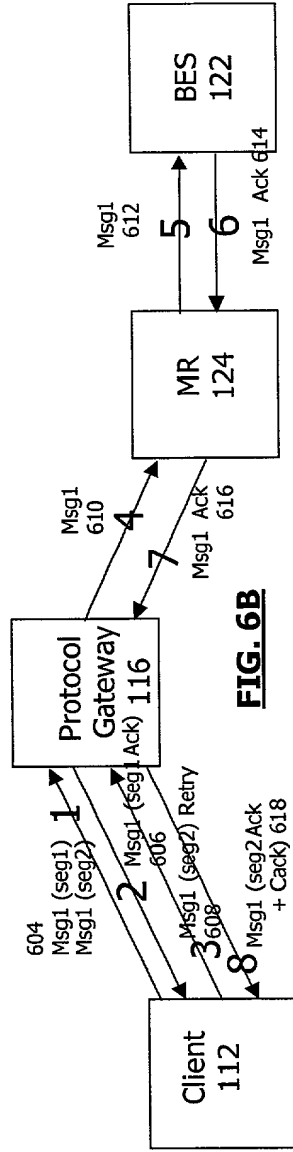


FIG. 6A



**FIG. 6B**

FIG. 7A is a block diagram of a system 700 for a client device 112, a wireless network 114, a protocol gateway 116, a message router 124, and a back-end server (BES) 122. The system 700 includes a client device 112, a wireless network 114, a protocol gateway 116, a message router 124, and a back-end server (BES) 122. The client device 112 is connected to the wireless network 114, which is connected to the protocol gateway 116. The protocol gateway 116 is connected to the message router 124, which is connected to the back-end server (BES) 122. The system 700 is configured to receive a request (REQ) from the client device 112, route the request through the wireless network 114, the protocol gateway 116, and the message router 124 to the back-end server (BES) 122. The back-end server (BES) 122 returns a response (RESP) to the message router 124, which routes the response back through the protocol gateway 116 and the wireless network 114 to the client device 112. The system 700 also includes an optional acknowledgment (ACK) path from the back-end server (BES) 122 to the message router 124.

700

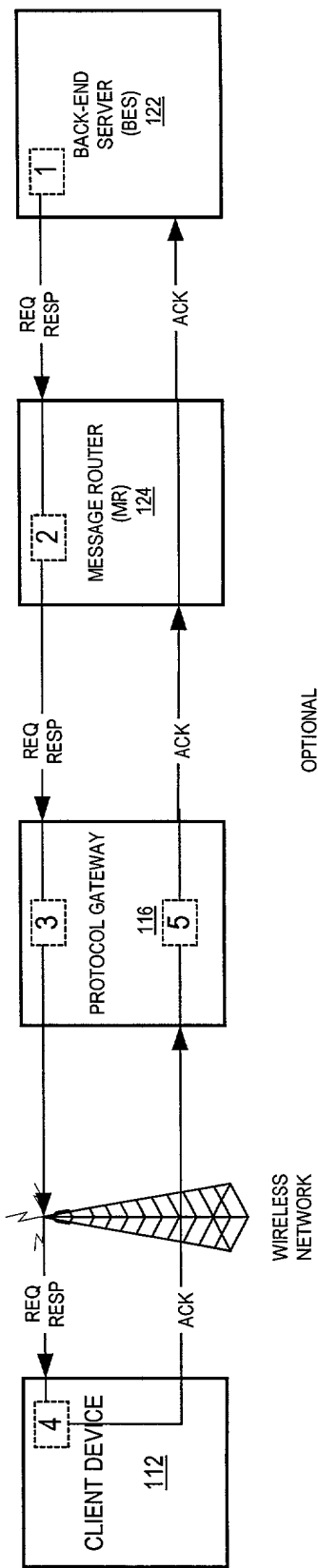


FIG. 7A

**702**

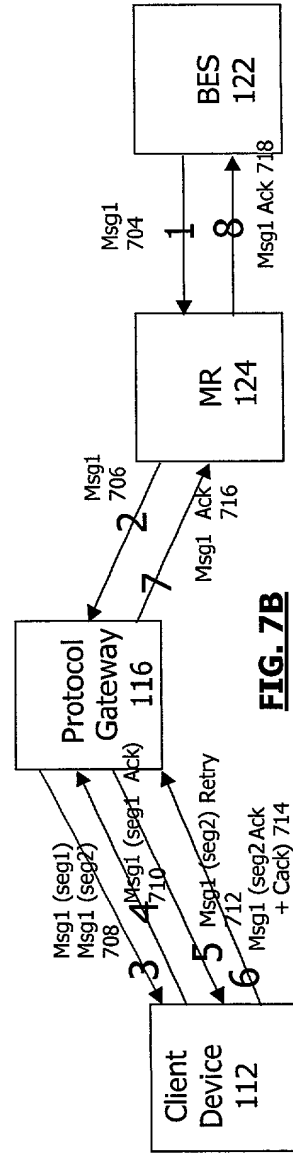


FIG. 8A is a block diagram of a system 800 for alerting a client device 112 via a wireless network 116. The system 800 includes a client device 112, a protocol gateway 116, a message router 124, and a back-end server (BES) 122. The client device 112 is connected to the protocol gateway 116 via a wireless network 116. The protocol gateway 116 is connected to the message router 124, which is connected to the back-end server (BES) 122. The system 800 is configured to send an alert from the back-end server (BES) 122 to the client device 112 via the message router 124 and the protocol gateway 116.

800

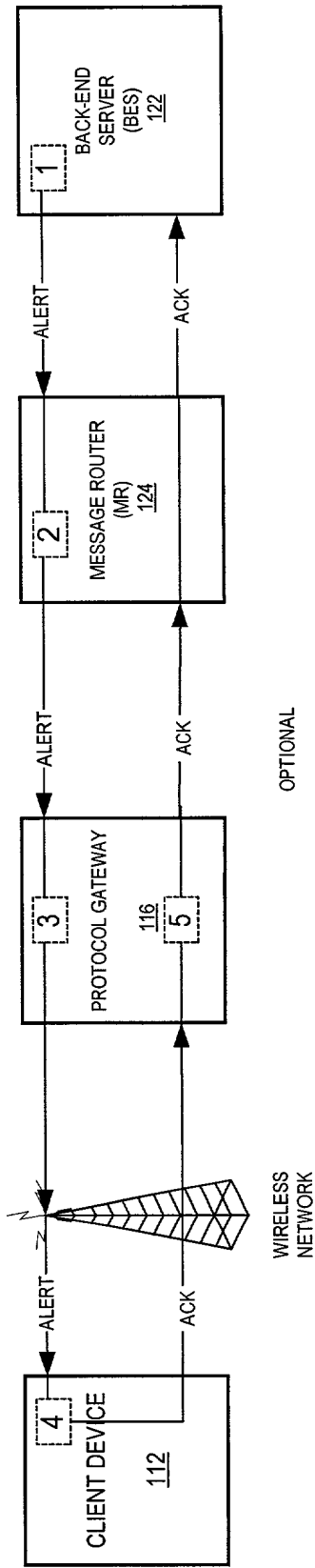


FIG. 8A

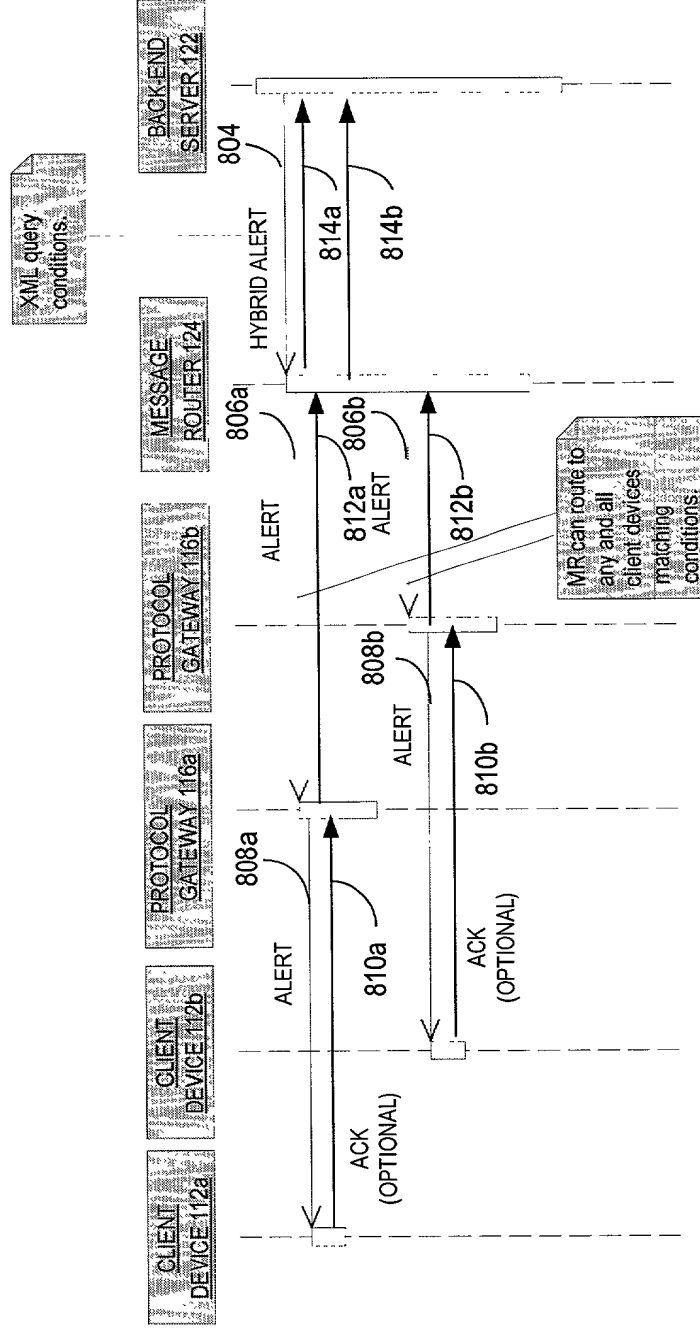
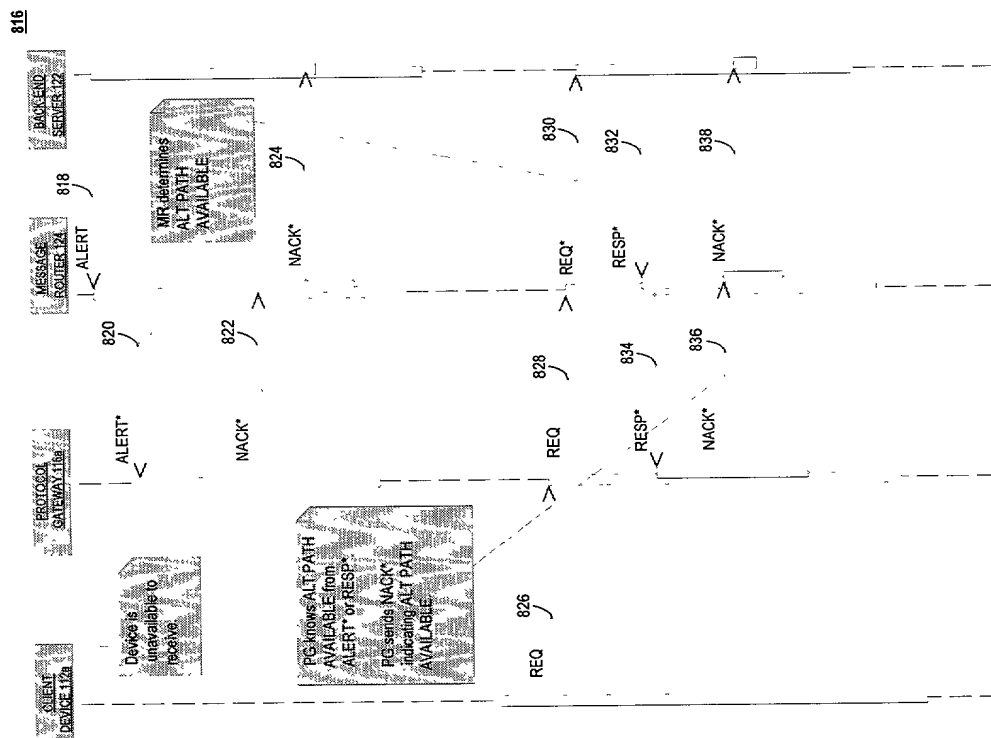
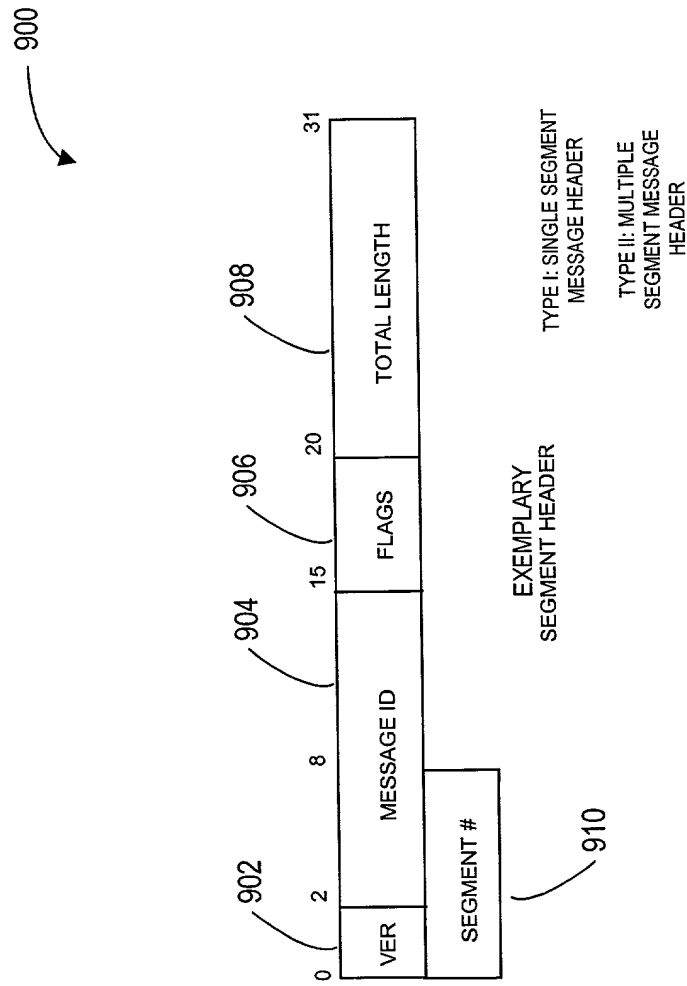


FIG. 8B







**FIG. 9**